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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN,

Town Treasurer, School Treasurer, Trustees and Treasurer of the Public Library, and the Board of Education,

OF THE

TOWN OF DURHAM,

FOR THE

Financial Year Ending February 15, 1906,

WITH THE

Vital Statistics for 1905 as Prepared by the Town Clerk.

DOVER, N. H.:
H. E. HODGDON, PRINTER.
1906.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Durham, in the County of Strafford, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Durham, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, 1906, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects, viz.:

1. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

2. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay necessary town charges.

3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of roads and bridges.

4. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount on taxes paid prior to July 1, 1906.

5. To see what action the town will take for the extermination of the brown-tail moths, and to raise and appropriate money therefor.

6. To see if the town will vote to make necessary repairs on town hall, and to raise and appropriate money therefor.

7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the improvement of highways, in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of 1905, entitled, "An act to provide for state aid, and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the improvement of the main highways throughout the state," and to pass any other vote in reference thereto.

8. To choose three Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Col-

lector of Taxes, two Auditors, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

9. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to make a contract with the receiver of the Newmarket Electric Light, Power and Heat Company to furnish street lights for the town for the ensuing year, at the same price that has been paid in the past.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six.

F. E. Doe,
C. A. Smart,
P. J. Connor,
Selectmen of Durham.

ASSESSED VALUATION OF DURHAM.

APRIL 1, 1905.

Polls, 250	$25,000	
Land and buildings	462,585	
Horses, 249	18,485	
Oxen, 23	1,485	
Cows, 436	12,557	
Other neat stock, 143	3,187	
Sheep, 170	680	
Hogs, 1	20	
Carriages, 28	2,350	
Stock in public funds	26,850	
Stock in banks and other corporations in this state	13,025	
Stock in corporations out of the state	70	
Money on hand, at interest, or on deposit	3,282	
Stock in trade	26,950	
Mills and machinery	2,400	
Automobile, 1	400	
		$599,326
Total tax list	$10,815.41	
Rate of taxation	.018	

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid Solon A. Carter, state tax...	$1,215 50	
S. D. Wentworth, county tax	1,888 57	
		$3,104 07

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid Strafford Bank, note.....	$1,000 00	
Strafford Bank, interest.....	32 22	
Esther Buzzell, int. on note to Feb. 15, 1906.....	25 00	
Esther Buzzell, note and interest in full.....	500 17	
		$1,557 39

STREET LIGHTS.

Paid Newmarket Electric Light, Power and Heat Co.....	$329 03	
I. T. George, attorney	68 16	
W. H. C. Follansby, receiver	25 00	
		$422 19

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Mary A. Burnham, treasurer, for books.....	$225 00	
For incidental expenses and insurance.....	283 26	
		$508 26

DISCOUNTS.

Paid T. W. Schoonmaker, collector, 3 per cent. discount on taxes paid prior to July 1, 1905		$123 91

REBATES.

Paid C. H. Seavey, overtaxed on lumber	$42 53	
Winnie Wiggin, overtaxed on land	3 60	
A. L. Comings, on saw mill, not taxable	14 40	
L. H. Ellison, on saw mill, not taxable	14 40	
C. R. Emerson, on poll, exempt	1 80	
E. S. Carpenter, overtaxed on land	9 00	
Horace W. Jenkins, overtaxed on land	5 40	
		$91 13

BREAKING ROADS, 1904-5.

Paid F. P. Morrison	$133 73
C. F. Pendergas	3 00
H. H. Dame	2 25
George P. Demeritt	44 15
J. M. R. Adams	10 50
A. E. Meserve	11 20
P. J. Connor	10 00
S. P. Chesley	45 00
F. B. Philbrick	11 00
L. R. Philbrick	10 10

Paid H. C. Gray.....	$6 00	
H. R. Hill.....	2 90	
J. T. Bickford, snow plow...	12 45	
		$302 28

ABATEMENTS.

Paid T. W. Schoonmaker on list 1902.....	$9 80	
T. W. Schoonmaker on list 1903.....	9 60	
T. W. Schoonmaker on list 1904.....	25 28	
		$44 68

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid H. E. Hodgdon, printing town reports.....	$60 00
I. C. Weld, services as supervisor at March election, 1905.....	6 00
E. D. Chesley, services as ballot clerk, Nov. election, 1904.....	3 00
A. E. Meserve, wood for office.....	6 00
H. E. Hodgdon, printing vouchers, etc.....	6 00
J. W. Burnham, water service in full to Nov. 1, 1905.....	22 97
E. C. Eastman, collector's and surveyor's books.....	2 81
J. E. Pendexter, water service, 1905.....	3 00
A. L. Comings, bridge plank	22 50

Paid W. S. Edgerly, services as treasurer	$40 00
T. W. Schoonmaker, services as tax collector	100 00
F. E. Doe, services as selectman	40 00
C. A. Smart, services as selectman	40 00
P. J. Connor, services as selectman	40 00
L. Thompson, election officer, Nov., 1904	3 00
L. B. Bunker, water service, 1905	3 00
L. A. Stevens, services, police officer	20 00
G. W. Burnham estate, water service, 1902	3 00
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax bills and stationery, 1905	8 78
A. E. Grant, salary of school board	50 00
W. S. Edgerly, salary as district treasurer	10 00
F. E. Doe, time and expense to Concord, August and December, to confer with state engineer and state treasurer	10 00
Charles Wentworth, services as town clerk	41 06
C. L. Burnham, water service	3 00
C. H. Pettee, auditor	2 00
C. E. Hoitt, auditor	2 00
	$548 12

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid A. C. Place, Agent, drain pipe	$4 20
W. S. Meserve & Son, drain pipe, 1904	12 60
J. T. Bickford, Ackron pipe	41 04
E. J. York, 16 cedar posts	3 20
F. E. Doe, janitor work and repairs town building 1904-1905	9 40
F. P. Plummer, hand cuffs, jack and badge	4 10
H. E. Canney, painting sign boards	4 75
F. E. Doe, insurance on town building for three years	56 25
Geo. J. Foster & Co., printing bicycle notices	2 00
H. E. Hodgdon, printing	2 50
Strafford County Farm, care of Robert Parker	34 90
F. P. Morrison, transportation of R. Parker and D. Sullivan to county farm	8 00
A. E. Grant, medical attendance on Robert Parker	8 50
C. W. Hayes, locating town line	1 00
G. W. Tibbetts, repairs for road machine	50
Chas. Wentworth, returning births, marriages and deaths to state department, vital statistics	45 30

Paid A. E. Grant, reporting births and deaths, and services in Sullivan diphtheria case...	$8 25	
C. A. Morse, M. D.. disinfecting house of G. A. Sullivan.....	5 00	
A. P. Sherry, legal advice...	2 00	
W. S. Edgerly, stationery, glass, etc.....	5 37	
J. B. Smith, B. & A. dividends, 1904.....	113 75	
F. E. Doe, service on account Dame fire damage, and account Robert Parker and account C. H. Seavey's lumber.....	10 10	
C. A. Smart, care of transients	1 00	
C. A. Smart, time running town line—Madbury and Durham.....	2 00	
Town treasurer, stationery and postage.....	3 50	
Selectmen, postage, express, and telephone charges.....	5 15	
P. J. Connor, time and expense to Concord to confer with state engineer.....	5 00	
Robert Doe, account Elmer Thompson, bridge plank, 1904.....	36 00	
J. D. Meader, railing Kent's mill bridge.....	24 05	
		$459 41

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid J. M. R. Adams, for labor, 1904	$20 00
A. E. Meserve, for labor, 1904	25 00
Lucy J. C. Morse, labor, 1904	4 67
T. W. Lovering, labor, 1905	4 00
F. P. Morrison, labor, 1905	2 00
J. T. Bickford, labor, 1905	303 59
Albert Demeritt, labor, 1905	68 00
G. S. Caverno	55 00
C. A. Smart	37 15
H. S. Tuttle	89 10
E. B. Griffiths	35 30
J. D. Meader	52 20
L. B. Bunker	2 00
D. H. Fogg	66 30
John R. Page	66 60
Andrew Bell	24 35
Samuel Jones	2 50
Lester Ladderbush	4 20
C. I. Smart	56 00
J. J. Connor	45 00
S. P. Chesley	62 50
W. T. Bell	20 00
J. Langley & Sons, poles for railing	11 25
F. B. Philbrick	35 00
L. R. Philbrick	24 60
M. G. Woodman	17 50
C. F. Pendergast	8 00
J. T. Bickford	26 63
S. E. Demeritt, 59 loads gravel	5 65
F. E. Doe, roads and bridges.	11 30
P. J. Connor, " "	10 00
J. T. Bickford, " "	28 70
	$1,224 09

FENCING NEW ROAD.

Paid C. L. Gray, 88 posts.....	$8 80	
C. L. Gray, labor	2 00	
H. C. Gray, labor.....	2 00	
C. A. Smart, labor	4 00	
C. L. Jenness, wire fence....	12 22	
		$29 02

STATE ROAD.

Paid D. Chesley & Co., building road and repairing culvert...	$1,249 83	
P. J. Connor, inspector.....	15 00	
C. A. Smart, labor	3 00	
		$1,267 83
State contribution to joint fund....	$358 80	
Town " " "	897 00	
Total joint fund.....	$1,255 80	
Part of fund disbursed by state engineer.....	52 10	
Amount available for road construction	$1,203 70	
Additional expense on account of rebuilding culvert.....	64 13	
		$1,267 83

BROWN TAIL MOTH NESTS.

Paid Thomas Ring.....	$ 58
Helen Thompson.....	1 48
Louise Thompson.....	45
Fred Palmer.....	3 84

Paid Frank Palmer	$4 70
R. C. Palmer	12 88
Hamilton Palmer	5 16
Sadie Palmer	08
John Jackson	1 01
Alvin Foss	1 00
Morris Davis	10
Philip Pinkham	1 91
Chas. Ladderbush	1 48
Lester Ladderbush	68
Lester Sawyer	86
Warren Sawyer	12
Charles Schoonmaker	03
Fred Comings	89
James Marston	60
Rushton Marston	01
Cass Adams	31
Willie Hagger	21
Henry Jones	54
Harry Nesbit	02
Chester Hall	40
Almer Sanders	15
Earl Watson	10 91
Miles Watson	6 10
Sherburne Fogg	45
Alex Neomi	52
James Smith	03
Thomas Smith	20
Charles Pettee	27
Arthur Nisken	86
Alver Valequette	7 24
Albert Corson	2 00
Leon Otis	1 57
Almer Davis	6 62
Charles Bride	93
Almer Canney	48

Paid Clifford Stevens	$ 07	
John Stevens	17	
Lester Stevens	05	
Bernard Stevens	07	
F. T. Berry	5 20	
Alice Hoitt	16	
E. D	61	
M. G. Woodman	75	
Lothrop Parsons	53	
Roger Scott	5 60	
M. E. Willey	6 84	
Daniel Chesley	57	
Tilda Teeri	29	
Alburn Teeri	74	
F. Burnham	18	
Thomas Brown	13	
W. Emery	20	
Sidney Willey	05	
Georgie Palmer	12	
	$100 00	
Paid F. E. Doe, time counting nests, and paying out bounty on same, Mar. 14 to Mar. 25	$10 00	
		$110 00

CARE OF CEMETERIES.

Paid David Stevens, Wilson and Furness	$6 00	
T. W. Lovering, Woodman	4 00	
C. A. Smart, Woodman	3 00	
M. E. Willey, Simpson	3 00	
J. B. Smith, Wilson	2 25	
		$18 25

DOG DAMAGE.

Paid S. P. Chesley, six sheep killed 1904		$24 00
Albert Demeritt, four sheep killed and seven sheep injured, 1905	$30 00	
James J. Connor, three sheep killed and four sheep in-injured	20 00	
F. R. Dearborn, one sheep killed and one sheep injured	6 00	
M. E. Willey, ten chickens killed	2 50	
C. I. Smart, twelve hens killed	6 00	
L. Thompson, damage to five young cattle	15 00	
C. A. Smart, assessing dog damage	2 00	
P. J. Connor, assessing dog damage	5 00	86 50
		$110 50

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount by law required	$2,145 00
Amount raised in school meeting:	
For schools	600 00
For repairs	150 00
For insurance	100 00
Assessed for tuitions	1,000 00
Received from state:	
Literary fund	86 90
Part of superintendent salary	150 00

For high school tuition.....	$56 56	
Balance of dog licenses, 1904.....	63 95	
		$4,352 41
Paid W. S. Edgerly, district treasurer.....	$4,000 00	
Balance in town treasury	352 41	
		$4,352 41

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Ginn & Co., school books...	$94 13	
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies.	28 60	
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies..	31 19	
		$153 92

RECAPITULATION.

State and county taxes.....	$3,104 07	
Notes and interest.....	1,557 39	
Street lights.....	422 19	
Public library	508 26	
Rebates	91 13	
Abatements.....	44 68	
Discounts.....	123 91	
General expenses.....	548 12	
Miscellaneous expenses	459 41	
Snow bills.....	302 28	
Highways.....	1,224 09	
State road.....	1,267 83	
New road.....	29 02	
Cemeteries.....	18 25	
Dog damage.....	110 50	
Brown tail moths.....	110 00	
Schools.....	4,000 00	
School books and supplies.....	153 92	
Cash in town treasury.....	626 79	
		$14,701 84

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF DURHAM, FEB. 15, 1906.

LIABILITIES.

G. F. T. A. dividends.....	$113 75	
Balance due school board.	352 41	
		$466 16

ASSETS.

Due on col. list of 1903.....	$68 66	
" " " 1904.....	48 03	
" " " 1905.....	1,530 21	
Cash in town treasury.....	626 79	
		$2,273 69

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Durham, certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. H. PETTEE, }
C. E. HOITT, } Auditors.

F. E. DOE, }
C. A. SMART, } Selectmen of Durham.
P. J. CONNOR, }

REPORT OF TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand		$309 74
Hired of Strafford National Bank		1,000 00
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector on list, 1902	$46 90	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, interest, 1902	7 60	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, abatements	9 80	
		$64 30
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector on list, 1903	$390 79	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, interest, 1903	33 72	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector. abatements	9 60	
		$434 11
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector on list, 1904	$1,042 25	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector on list, 1904	40 13	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, abatements	25 28	
		$1,107 66
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector on list, 1905	$9,161 30	

T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, interest, 1905	$10 27	
Discount on taxes paid July 1st, 1905	123 91	
		$9,295 48
Boston & Albany R. R. dividends, 1905, G. F. T. A		$113 75
State treasurer, railroad tax		564 06
savings bank tax		1,014 03
literary fund		86 90
proportion school fund		150 00
proportion of high school tuition		56 56
highway improvements		306 70
Charles Wentworth, town clerk, dog licenses		161 30
Charles Wentworth, town clerk, pool table licenses		19 00
Woodman legacy withdrawn from bank		7 00
Wilson legacy withdrawn from bank		5 25
Furness legacy withdrawn from bank		3 00
Simpson legacy withdrawn from bank		3 00
		$14,701 84

CASH PAYMENTS.

Books and supplies	$153 92
General expenses	548 12
Schools	4,000 00

Highways	$1,224 09
Snow bills	302 28
State road	1,267 83
Rebates	91 13
State tax	1,215 50
County tax	1,888 57
Notes and interest	1,557 39
Street lights to Feb. 1, 1906	422 19
Miscellaneous expenses	459 41
Public library	508 26
Care of cemeteries	18 25
Discount on taxes paid July 1	123 91
Abatements	44 68
New road	29 02
Brown tail moths	110 00
Dog damage	110 50
Cash on hand	626 79
	$14,701 84

TRUST FUNDS HELD BY THE TOWN OF DURHAM.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

GEORGE FFROST LEGACY.

Dividends for 1904 on hand Feb. 15, 1905, as per report.....	$1 3 75	
Dividends for 1905.....	113 75	
		$227 50
Paid Joshua B. Smith, treasurer, George Ffrost temperance association		113 75
Ralance due G. F. T. A. dividends for 1905		$113 75

WOODMAN LEGACY.

On deposit, book A 16,175, Strafford Savings Bank.....	$300 00	
January 1, 1906, to accrued interest.....	21 32	
		$321 32
Paid town for care of cemeteries, 1905.....		7 00
		$314 32
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		14 32

GRIFFITHS LEGACY.

On deposit, book A 16,176, Strafford Savings Bank.....	$300 00	
January 1, 1906, to accrued interest.....	94 32	
		$394 32
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		94 32

SIMPSON LEGACY.

On deposit, book A 6,088, Strafford Savings Bank.....	$100 00	
January 1, 1906, to accrued interest	4 04	
		$104 04
Paid town for care of cemeteries ..		3 00
		$101 04
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		1 04

FURNESS LEGACY.

On deposit, book A 12,478 Strafford Savings bank.....	$100 00	
January 1, 1906, to accrued interest.....	5 99	
		$105 99
Paid town for care of cemeteries, 1905		3 00
		$102 99
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		2 99

WILSON LEGACY.

On deposit, book A 15,219 Strafford Savings Bank	$100 00	

January 1, 1906, to accrued interest.....	$5 84	
		$105 84
Paid town for care of cemeteries, 1905.....		5 25
		$100 59
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		59

WALTER S. EDGERLY, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Durham, certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the town treasurer, and find them correctly cast and all payments properly vouched.

C. E. HOITT, }
C. H. PETTEE, } Auditors.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The trustees of the Durham Public Library submit the following report for the year ending February 15, 1906.

At the stated meeting in March, Albert DeMeritt was elected president of the board of trustees, and Lucien Thompson was elected secretary. Miss Mary A. Burnham was re-elected treasurer, and Miss Charlotte A. Thompson as librarian.

On Oct. 7th, 1905, the trustees held a meeting at the library rooms at 7.30 P. M. William D. Gibbs, President of the New Hampshire College, appeared before the board in favor of consolidating the libraries of the Durham Public Library and the Durham Library Association with the New Hampshire College library. The trustees present favored the proposed consolidation.

The plans for the proposed consolidation were carefully drawn up with a view of safeguarding the interests of each party interested.

The Board of Trustees of the New Hampshire college took favorable action, Oct. 11, 1905. (See appendix.)

The stockholders of the Durham Library Association held a special meeting on Saturday, October 28, 1905, where favorable action was taken. (See appendix.)

The town of Durham held a special town meeting on November 23, 1905, and passed the following votes:

Voted that the town cancel and abrogate the contract

between said town and the Durham Library Association, executed March 18, 1893, whereby the Durham Public Library and the library of said association are used and managed as one library, provided the same shall also be legally terminated by said association, but nothing contained in this motion shall operate as a dissolution of the relations subsisting between said Durham Library Association, and said town of Durham, as established by their contract of 1893, or as a discontinuance of the present management and use of their libraries until the first day of October, 1906.

The town voted to authorize the trustees of the Durham Public Library to execute, in behalf of said town, a contract between said town of Durham, the Durham Library Association, the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, and Henry C. Perkins, providing for granting to said parties, in co-operation with said town, the free use of the library books and other property of the Durham Public Library, to be consolidated with their own, for the use of the citizens of Durham and said College, on such just terms and conditions as said trustees of the Durham Public Library may determine.

At the meeting of the Directors of the Durham Library Association held October 7, 1905, it was thought best that Col. Daniel Hall should be consulted, as it would be difficult to draw up a contract which would be satisfactory to all the parties interested, and the Directors voted that Mr. DeMeritt be made a committee to investigate the matter of consolidation of the Durham Library Association Library and the Durham Public Library with the College Library, and report at a stockholder's meeting.

The same day, the trustees of the Durham Public Library held a meeting, and made Mr. Gorham H. Sawyer a committee to investigate the proposed consolida-

tion and report at the adjourned meeting, October 28.

Messrs. DeMeritt and Sawyer met with Col. Daniel Hall for quite a number of conferences, other trustees also attended these conferences, and, after several drafts had been made, the contract in its present form was drawn up by Col. Hall, and signed January 13, 1906.

A copy of the contract is printed with this report, (see appendix) and the attention of our citizens is called to the advantages that will accrue to the town and its inhabitants, viz.: *increased library facilities*; we now have access, in round numbers, to ten thousand volumes; under the consolidation, our citizens will have access to double that number at the start, with a rapid increase from college appropriations and from its income from the Durham Library Association invested funds.

At the present time, our expenses are over five hundred dollars per year, which would probably have been doubled if the town had a large library building of its own. Under the contract, the town expenses for library need not exceed twenty-five dollars per year.

To continue the present library arrangements until October 1, 1906. Two hundred and twenty-five dollars for books, one hundred dollars for the librarian, and one hundred dollars for incidentals and legal services in drawing up the contract will be required.

Your attention is called to the reports of the librarian and of the treasurer.

LUCIEN THOMPSON,
Secretary.

[Extracts from the records of the Board of Trustees of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.]

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Me-

chanic Arts, held at Durham, N. H., October 11, 1905:

President Gibbs submitted to the Board a plan to build a college library building, Andrew Carnegie offering to give $20,000, and the Hamilton Smith estate $10,000, to build a building, provided the college would give the citizens of Durham free privileges of the college library, and provided the Durham Public Library and the Durham Library Association would turn over their books and the books purchased with the income of the invested funds to the consolidated library.

Voted that the Executive Committee be authorized to arrange for the proposed consolidation of college, town and Durham Library Association Libraries, and that the committee be granted full powers.

[Extracts from the records of the Durham Library Association.]

At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Durham Library Association, held at the library rooms, on Saturday, October 28, 1905, and adjourned to November 4, 1905, the following votes were passed:

Voted to cancel and terminate the contract between the Durham Library Association and the town of Durhum, executed March 18, 1893, on condition that the same be legally abrogated by said town of Durham

Voted to authorize the Directors of the Durham Library Association to execute a contract with said town of Durham, N. H., the New Hampshire college of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, and Mr. Henry Cleveland Perkins, executor, trustee and legatee under the will of the late Hamilton Smith, providing in substance for granting to said parties united in co-operation with said Library Association, under a new contract and consolidated as one library, the free use of the library books, funds and other property for the benefit of the citizens of Durham, and said college under such just terms as the Directors may determine.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

	Vols.
Bought with town appropriation, $25	21
Bought with town appropriation, $200	92
Bought with Simpson fund	62
Increase during year	283
Total number bound volumes	9,646
Magazine subscriptions	32
Average circulation per month	790
Average circulation per week	182
Distributed during the year	9,479
Distributed afternoons	4,649
Distributed evenings	4,830

CHARLOTTE A. THOMPSON,
Librarian.

DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY.

DONORS.	Books.	Pamphlets	Unbound Magazines.
United States Government	9	15	
New York State Government	1	2	
Charles Follen Palmer	1		
New Hampshire College		5	
New Hampshire College Monthly; Editors			10
J. H. Gallinger		1	
A friend		1	
G. H. Whitcher		2	
Peace Congress Commission		1	
Somerville Library		12	
National Indian Association		12	
New Hampshire State Libraries		4	
Canadian Government		1	
J. D. Morris		1	
Publishers "The Craftsman"			4
Publishers "The Critic"			4
	11	57	18

DURHAM LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Charles Wentworth	1		
A friend	44		
Miss M. E. Smith		3	19
Keene, N. H		1	
	45	4	19

REPORT OF TREASURER.

LIBRARY EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Town of Durham, as per contract with Durham Library Association, for books to be owned by the association	$200 00
Town of Durham, as per contract with State of New Hampshire, for books to be owned by the town	25 00
Town of Durham as per contract with Durham Library Association for incidental expenses	283 26
Total amount received from Town for the year	$508 26
Fines	19 57
Total	$527 83

EXPENSES.

Books	$225 00
Librarian's salary	150 00
Insurance	52 50
Coal and wood	17 11
Electric lighting and lamps	19 25
Express	7 80
Library Supplies	2 65
Book binding	24 00

Postage, stationery and box rent..	$4 71
Janitor work and repairs.....	24 81
Total.....	$527 83

Respectfully submitted,

MARY A. BURNHAM,
Treasurer.

We hereby certify that the foregoing accounts for the year ending Feb. 15, 1906, are correctly cast and properly vouched.

WINTHROP S. MESERVE
LUCIEN THOMPSON } Finance Com.

Durham, N. H., Feb. 17, 1906.

CONTRACT.

This Indenture by and between the "*Durham Library Association*," the *Directors*, the same being and acting as *Trustees* of said Association, the town of *Durham*, *N. H.*, the "*New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts*" and *Henry Cleveland Perkins*, Executor Trustee, and Legatee under the Will of the late *Hamilton Smith* of said Durham, parties of the first, second, third, fourth and fifth parts, respectively,

WITNESSETH,

That, in order to increase the usefulness of the Libraries now existing in said town of Durham, to ensure the free access to them of all the citizens of said town, and the Officers, Faculty, and Students of said College, and to combine and consolidate all the Libraries and library interests of said town and College, so as to make them more effective and beneficial in their influence upon the public welfare, the said parties hereby severally and mutually agree to combine together and to unite their various interests in the following manner, and upon the following terms, to wit:

SECTION 1.—The said Durham Library Association, party of the first part in consideration of the conditions and stipulations hereinafter contained, does hereby grant to said parties of the second, third, fourth, and fifth parts, and to the combined or consolidated library hereby established, the free use of its library books, both now in possession and hereafter to be acquired, and the net income of its funds, as hereinafter in Sections 11 and 12 more definitely set forth, including the net in-

come of the Lydia Simpson Fund, so far as said Association has legal authority to do so, for library purposes only, subject to the restrictions and conditions following, which all said parties respectively agree to abide by and perform; said books to be brought together, combined and united with the library books belonging to all the said parties, so as, all together, to constitute, and be used, and administered practically, as one library.

SECTION 2.—The Directors of the said Durham Library Association, the same being Trustees of said Association, and acting as such, for themselves and their successors, shall turn over to the management and control of the Trustees of said College, as managers of the said consolidated library as provided in the seventh section hereof, and to the said combined and consolidated library, the books already purchased for the library of said Association by the income of the legacy of *Lydia Simpson*, under her will dated May 5, 1892, the same being now a part of the books included in and comprising the library of said Association,—and shall authorize and permit the use of said books already purchased, in common with the other books of the consolidated library herein provided for, for the same general purpose of furnishing public library reading for the members of said Association, the people of Durham, and the officers, faculty, and students of said College; and said Directors and Trustees will hereafter turn over all books to be purchased by the future income of said legacy, for the same use and in the same manner to the same College Trustees, as said income accrues and is expended by the said Directors and Trustees of said Association, according to the provisions of said Simpson will.

Provided, however, and it is hereby understood, that said income shall be and continue to be expended by the Directors and Trustees of said Association accord-

ing to the conditions of said will, and that nothing herein contained shall be construed as transferring the ownership of said income, or of the books purchased therewith, to the said College Trustees or said Consolidated Library: but that said books already and to be hereafter purchased by means of said income shall continue to be the property of said Directors and Trustees, or of said Durham Library Association, and be distinguished as such by proper labels or marks of identification, so that said books, if occasion should require, may be separated from all other books at any future time; but the custody and use of such books, for library purposes only, is hereby intended to be secured to the said College Trustees aud Consolidated Library, without recall, otherwise than as provided in the fifteenth section of this instrument.

SECTION 3.—The said town of Durham, party of the third part does hereby grant to said parties of the first, second, fourth and fifth parts, and to said consolidated library, the free use of its library books, that is to say, the books of the Durham Public Library, including all books donated by the state, and all past and future accessions thereto, by gift or otherwise, and shall appropriate at least twenty-five dollars ($25.00) annually, in accordance with its contract with the state; the sum so appropriated to be turned over to the trustees of said college, and expended by them, or under their direction, only for books, magazines and binding of the same, for addition to and incorporation with the consolidated library.

SECTION 4.—Said "New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," party of the fourth part, in consideration of the same conditions and stipulations, does hereby grant to said parties of the first, second, third and fifth parts, and to said consolidated library, the free use of all its college library books, for

library purposes only, subject to all the conditions herein contained, and under such restrictions and regulations as the college authorities may find necessary to control the use of special books, such as technical works, text books and books of art, and reference, PROVIDED only that the rules prescribed shall apply equally and without discrimination to the college and student body and to the citizens of Durham,—said library books to be united and consolidated with the library books described in Sections 1, 2 and 3, so as, all together, for practical uses, to form one library.

Said college, expecting and being about to receive a donation of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.00) from Mr. Andrew Carnegie for the construction of a library building in said Durham, shall immediately employ said fund of twenty thousand dollars, together with any other funds contributed for the purpose by the parties to this contract and others to the erection of a library building to be used for the library purposes herein contemplated.

Said college shall provide for the care of the library building, heat, light, salaries, insurance, taxes, repairs and other necessary expenses of the consolidated library, perpetually.

SECTION 5.—Said Henry Cleveland Perkins acting as executor, trustee and legatee under the will of the late Hamilton Smith, under the following provision of said will executed July 13, 1899, viz.:

"I give and bequeath to Henry Cleveland Perkins the sum of ten thousand dollars, to be expended toward the erection of a building for a public library in the town of Durham, N. H.," hereby agrees, in conformity to said will, to contribute and pay said legacy of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) to the erection of the library building herein before named, and to unite in the common object of establishing a free public library for the use of the people of Durham and said College of

Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, under the regulations herein prescribed.

SECTION 6.—The funds hereinbefore named, viz.: The twenty thousand dollars, ($20,000) to be furnished by Mr. Carnegie, and the ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to be furnished by Mr. Perkins, shall be immediately used for the erection of a library building, to cost, with its furniture and equipment, not less than thirty thousand dollars, ($30,000) on a lot to be furnished by said college without charge to the building fund.

Immediately upon the execution of this contract, a Building Committee, consisting of three members of the Board of Trustees of said College, shall proceed to obtain plans, and make contracts for the erection of said building, and as soon as practicable prepare it for occupation.

SECTION 7.—The control of said consolidated library, its organization, appointment of officers and servants, and the entire management of its affairs shall be vested in the board of trustees of said College and such agents as they may appoint.

Said board of trustees shall establish all regulations relating to the libraty, the purchase, care, and use of books, and all provisions by them deemed necessary for its government and maintenance.

Said board shall keep a separate account of all books given by the state to the town, all books purchased with the money annually appropriated by the town, and all books given the town for a public library, or purchased with money given to the town for the Durham Public Library.

Said board shall annually make a report of the operations and condition of the library, including a detailed account of the expenditure of all funds entrusted to their disposal, and shall cause a copy of said report to be delivered to the Secretary of said Durham

Library Association, and to the town clerk of said Durham.

SECTION 8.—In consideration of the stipulations and conditions herein contained all the parties to this contract agree to allow all citizens of Durham, N. H., and all officers, employees, and students of said college, the free use of the library building herein provided for, and of the books hereinbefore described and enumerated, for library purposes only, and under reasonable regulations, and not to require any assessment upon stockholders or other persons resident in said Durham.

And it is further agreed and made an irrevocable condition of this contract, that said consolidated library shall be kept open for public use and the accommodation of all who are entitled to its privileges, on equal and uniform terms, every Wednesday and Saturday throughout the year, from two till nine o'clock in the afternoon, legal holidays excepted, and at such other times as the managers of the library may prescribe.

SECTION 9. All present members or stockholders of the Durham Library Association living outside the town of Durham shall have the same rights and privileges in the library as residents of said town, upon paying an annual assessment of one dollar.

SECTION 10.—As soon as said library building is completed, and upon written notice of such completion by said building committee to the several parties hereto, the library books belonging to said Association, to said directors and trustees, and to said town, that is to say, the books of the Durham Public Library, and also the books of said College library, shall be removed and placed in the new library building, and organized, classified, and catalogued as one library, and opened to the public use under such rules, regulations, and conditions as may be prescribed by the Board of Trustees, as provided by Section 7 of this contract.

SECTION 11.—Said Durham Library Association hereby agrees, and it is understood as a part of this contract, for the considerations aforesaid, to turn over the net income of all its funds now in its possession and hereafter to be acquired, semi-annually, to the trustees of said college, to be disbursed by them as agents of said association, and expended for the purchase of suitable books for said library.

SECTION 12.—The directors and trustees of said association, for themselves and their successors, hereby agree that they will turn over semi-annually the books purchased by them under the terms of the legacy of Lydia Simpson set forth in her will dated May 5, 1892, that is to say, that they will "expend the net income thereof for the purchase of suitable books for said library," and semi annually turn over the books so purchased to the said college trustees, and to the associated or consolidated libraries by this instrument placed under their control, to be used by said college trustees in connection with and as a part of said consolidated library, hereby engaging to expend said income for such books as are suitable for general reading and are ordinarily provided in public libraries for general circulation, and to confer and advise with the managers of said consolidated library in respect to the expenditure of said net income.

SECTION 13.—Said Durham Library Association agrees that all such funds as may be in its possession and are referred to herein, shall be safely kept and judiciously invested:

That the treasurer of said association, having the custody of such funds, shall be required to give adequate bonds for the faithful performance of his duties, which bonds shall at all times, when required, be submitted to the examination of the board of trustees of said college:

And that the finance committee of said trustees may inspect the securities of said association once a year, and, if they deem it necessary or proper, advise as to their investment.

And said trustees of the "New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts" agree to keep a separate account of the library books of said consolidated library, preserving the books derived from the "Durham Library Association" and its directors, by distinctive marks on its books and records, and also, whenever required, to afford information to said association of the manner in which they have disbursed all income derived from that source.

SECTION 14.—This contract shall take effect and be in force as soon as the several parties thereto, being duly authorized, shall execute the same, under their respective seals, by committees or agents duly authorized for that purpose.

But nothing herein contained shall operate as a dissolution of the relations subsisting between said Durham Library Association and said town of Durham, as established by their contract of 1893, or as a discontinuance of the preseut management and use of their libraries, until the first day of October, 1906, or the completion of the new library building, and notice thereof as provided in Section 10 hereof.

SECTION 15.—This contract is a mutual compact, to be binding and in force in perpetuity, and to be dissolved or terminated only by legal proceedings in the courts of the state, instituted upon grounds of violation or failure of performance by either of the parties hereto, after written notice of six months served on said board of trustees by any party seeking such dissolution or annulment.

In witness whereof the parties above named, personally, or by their agents thereunto duly authorized, have

set their signatures and seals hereto this 13th day of January, A. D., 1906.

DURHAM LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Signed and sealed in
the presence of

Edwin J. Roberts,	by	Albert DeMeritt,
Charles S. Langley,		Jeremiah Langley,
Edwin J. Roberts,		Carrie E. Buzzell,
Edwin J. Roberts, Arthur J. Woodward,		Mary A. Burnham,
Mabel E. Townsend,		C. W. Scott,

Directors.

Edwin J. Roberts,	Albert DeMeritt,
Charles S. Langley,	Jeremiah Langley,
Edwin J. Roberts,	Carrie E. Buzzell,
Edwin J. Roberts, Arthur J. Woodward,	Mary A. Burnham,
Mabel E. Townsend,	C. W. Scott,

Directors and Trustees.

TOWN OF DURHAM.

Edwin J. Roberts,	Albert DeMeritt,
Charles S. Langley,	Jeremiah Langley,
Edwin J. Roberts,	Carrie E. Buzzell,
Edwin J. Roberts, Arthur J. Woodward,	Mary A. Burnham,
Mabel E. Townsend,	C. W. Scott,
Arthur J. Woodward,	Winthrop S. Meserve,
Arthur J. Woodward,	G. H. Sawyer,
Alice C. Baker,	Arioch W. Griffiths,
Hattie F. Clark,	Frank E. Doe,
Arthur J. Woodward,	Lucien Thompson,

Trustees Durham Public Library.

NEW HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MECHANIC ARTS.

Annie M. Scammon,	By	R. M. Scammon,
James I. Parsons,	By	Walter Drew,
Edith M. Davis,	By	W. D. Gbbs,

Executive Committee, Board of Trustees

Geo. Kennaby, H. C. Perkins,

Executor, Trustee. and Legatee of Hamilton Smith.

GEORGE FFROST TEMPERANCE ASS'N.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Balance in treasury, Feb., 1905 ...	$37 39	
Dividends from B. & A. R. R., 1904.....	113 75	
Assessments.....	24 00	
		$175 14
Benefits to members.....	$123 00	
Incidentals.....	10 00	
Temperance Work and Books in Schools	26 75	
In treasury, Feb., 1906.....	15 39	
		$175 14
On deposit....	$1,377 08	
In treasury.....	15 39	
		$1,392 47
George Ffrost fund.....	$1,277 33	
Membership fees.....	115 14	
		$1,392 47

J. B. Smith,
Treasurer.

Durham, N. H., Feb. 3, 1906.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the School District of Durham, N. H., qualified to vote in District Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said district, on the seventeenth day of March, nineteen hundred and six, at two o'clock, P. M., to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the board of education for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise in addition to that required by law for the support of public schools, and repairs of school houses.
6. To choose such auditors, agents and committees as the voters may deem necessary for the management of the affairs of the district.
7. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Durham, this 26th day of February, 1906.

C. S. LANGLEY,
A. E. GRANT,
E. R. GROVES,
} School Board.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1, 1905.

Whole number of boys enrolled	71
Whole number of girls enrolled	64
Total	135
Average membership in all the schools	117
Average attendance in all the schools	103
Percent. of attendance	88.47
Number of weeks of schooling	36
Number of children between the ages of five and sixteen years by the enumeration of October, 1904:	
a. Boys	76
b. Girls	66
Total	142
Average expense of the "Current Expenses" for average membership	$22.72
Average amount expended for text books and supplies, including reference books, crayons, ink, etc	$1.47

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Board of Durham:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit my second report, the sixth in the series of superintendent's reports, to the school committee of this town.

Our buildings and equipments are in fully as good condition as one year ago. The intermediate room in the villrge is not, and never has been, a desirable room for school use. Sunlight never enters it. On dark, cloudy days it is almost impossible to see to read for any length of time. Several children in this room have had to put on glasses while others are attending school but half the day and remaining home the other half on doctors orders. This matter needs immediate attention.

The year's work has gone smoothly. There has been a decided steady advance in the mental development of the children Our village school still needs a fourth teacher for the same reason as that stated last year, namely,—that no teacher can do with three grades what her neighbor is able to accomplish with two. Hence in the two rooms of three grades each the pupils do not, can not from the nature of the case, become as thoroughly equipped for the next grade as do the pupils in the two grade room. Four teachers wonld divide the grades equally. Our pupils would then be in a position to compare favorably with any city schools in New England.

The power that makes the schools go is the sentiment which exists in the community in favor of them. If it is hearty and intelligent, the schools will do much for the children. If this interest and sympathy are

lacking, they will fall but little short of failure. For the most part, our parents seem fully alive to this fact. They visit the schools frequently and by their presence encourage both teachers and pupils.

WORK OF THE SCHOOLS.

Reading, spelling, wrifing, and the simple rules of arithmetic are usually classed as educational "tools," because every pupil must be provided with these accomplishments before he is able to carry on his work in any of the usual school studies. It is our aim to strengthen the course of study by seeing that these fundamentals are thoroughly fixed in the child's mind.

With this in view, during the past year, we have made reading our objective; later in the year oral expression in arithmetic was coupled with the reading. We feel that these subjects must be enriched, by leading the pupils to see through the symbols to that for which the symbols stand. Thought is the main thing in mathematics, as well as in reading. In either of these branches one may play with symbols or work with symbols, and not think. "Thinking is discerning relations." In mathematics the things related are magnitudes. Leave these out—juggle with mere figures—and the subject is impoverished; put them in and the subject is enriched. Our children have learned this past year that reading is not pronunciation of words, but is thought getting; that examples are not given simply that they may get the answers to them. The symbols are beginning to have a fascination for them as is evidenced by the voluntary outside reading they have done this last half of the year. We are anxious to couple with this reading and arithmetic, oral and written expression, as our main objective points for the coming year.

"It will be well for the schools when we realize that

some of the old-fashioned things were good things in their day and would be helpful in these days. If we had more mental arithmetic; if the pupils did more of their own work; if they were able to analyze some of the English classics in such a way as to understand their thought and appreciate their beauties, we should be doing some things much better than we are doing them at present."

The average attendance in all the schools of the town for the fiscal year ending August 1st, 1905, is 88.47 per cent.

Grammar room.....	91.63	per cent.
Intermediate room.....	90.27	"
Primary room.....	86.59	"
Durham Point.....	88.98	"
Packers Falls.....	84.92	"

Yet this record of attendance is by no means as high as it should be. During the past winter and spring terms the percentage of absence has been unusually high, on account of much sickness, partly the usual minor diseases of childhood, partly colds, grip and measles, due to the severe winter weather, or to careless exposure or other avoidable causes, yet sickness accounts for only about two thirds of the entire number of absences. Bad weather is given as a reason for a certain number, chiefly among the younger children; and there are other good and sufficient reasons. But the fact remains that many children are allowed to absent themselves from school for reasons which their employer, were they at work instead of at school, would not tolerate for a moment. Parents ought to understand more clearly that to allow any but the most weighty causes to interfere with the punctual and regular attendance of a child at school, is an injustice to the child himself, first, because it deprives him of a part of the

education which it is his right to have, and, secondly, because it encourages the pernicious habit of neglect of duty. The most important lesson that the school can teach is that of attention to duty at the time set for duty. For to a child, school is business; and in the world of business, as the child must learn, sooner or later, business has the right of way.

CONCLUSION.

The highest function of the school is character building. That teacher fails grievously who does not help her pupils to see that hateful words, unkind acts and untruthful statements injure, to an alarming extent, those who indulge in these vices. It should be made clear to children that the most of their unhappiness will be caused by the injustice and suffering they inflict upon others. It is important that they learn while young that he who is generous in thought and deed to add to the joys and prosperity of others, will receive greater blessings than he bestows.

The teacher will do a great service for the children if she leads them to see that altruism brings happiness and that selfishness ends in misery. Isn't this, after all, the thing which is worth while?

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR B. SPRAGUE,

Superintendent of Schools.

At a meeting of the School Board of Durham the report of the Superintendent of Schools was accepted and adopted as the annual report of the School Board.

E. R. GROVES,

Secretary.

Durham, N. H.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE DURHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1906.

AVAILABLE SCHOOL MONEY.

Cash on hand	$182 42	
Amount required by law	2,145 00	
Amount raised for schools	600 00	
Amount assessed for tuitions	1,000 00	
Amount raised for repairs	150 00	
Amount raised for insurance	100 00	
Literary fund	86 90	
From state for salary of Supt	150 00	
From state for High school tuitions	56 56	
From town, balance of dog licenses, 1904	63 95	
From town of Newmarket, refunded on tuitions	80 00	
From H. E. Canney	18 00	
Dividends on insurance	3 36	
		$4,636 19
Balance due from town		$352 41
		$4,283 78

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$182 42
Received from town treasurer	4,000 00
Received from Newmarket, refunded on tuitions	80 00

Dividends on insurance	$3 36	
From H. E. Canney, tuition	18 00	
		$4,283 78

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers and superintendent	$2,344 67	
Janitors	156 00	
Cleaning schoolhouses	22 85	
Tuitions	841 50	
Fuel	205 92	
Miscellaneous expenses	87 74	
Repairs	86 08	
Transportation	306 50	
Insurance	98 00	
Cash on hand	134 52	
		$4,283 78

TEACHERS.

VILLAGE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Winter, C. Edith Whittemore, 3 weeks	$36 00	
Spring, C. Edith Whittemore, 10 weeks	120 00	
Fall, C. Edith Whittemore, 15 weeks	187 50	
Winter, C. Edith Whittemore, 8 weeks	100 00	
		$443 50

VILLAGE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Winter, Effie M. Carter, 3 weeks	$33 00	
Spring, Effie M. Carter, 10 weeks	110 00	
Fall, Effie M. Carter, 15 weeks	180 00	
Winter, Effie M. Carter, 8 weeks	96 00	
		$419 00

VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Winter, Bertha Lamprey, 3 weeks	$33 00	
Spring, Bertha Lamprey, 10 weeks	110 00	
Fall, Cora M. Eaton, 15 weeks....	172 50	
Winter, Cora M. Eaton, 8 weeks..	92 00	
		$407 50

POINT SCHOOL.

Winter, Gertrude Fox, 5 weeks...	$45 00	
Spring, Gertrude Fox, 11 weeks..	99 00	
Fall, Helen M. Warren, 15 weeks.	142 50	
Winter, Frances Burnham, 8 weeks	80.00	
		$366 50

PACKERS FALLS SCHOOL.

Winter, Elsie M. Carter, 11 weeks	$88 00	
Spring, Elsie M. Carter, 10 weeks.	80 00	
Fall, Mabel E. Canney, 15 weeks.	105 00	
Winter, Mabel E. Canney, 8 weeks	56 00	
		$329 00

SUPERINTENDENT.

W. B. Sprague, in full to March 1,	$379 17	$379 17

JANITORS.

Village, W. C. Hayes.....	$51 00	
Village, C. E. Hayes	69 00	
Packers Falls, Willie Francis....	10 50	
Packers Falls, Mabel E. Canney..	7 50	
Point, Elmer L. Rand.....	18 00	
		$156 00

CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES.

Mrs. Arthur Coffin, "Point".....	$3 00	
Mrs. Hamilton Palmer, "Village"	11 50	
Mrs. Hamilton Palmer, "Village"	3 00	
Bertha Ellison, "Packers Falls"..	4 50	
Mrs. Annie Davis, cleaning windows.....	85	
		$22 85

TUITIONS.

Dover High School.....	$597 50	
Robinson Seminary	120 00	
Mewmarket High School.....	64 00	
Newmarket Lower Grade.....	24 00	
C. L. Parsons, 1904.....	26 00	
C. L. Parsons, 1905.....	10 00	
		$841 50

FUEL.

Alvin Jackson, coal.....	$16 53	
George E. Dame, wood.....	7 50	
W. S. Meserve & Son, coal.....	161 81	
Lucy J. Morse, wood.....	3 00	
J. Langley & Son, coal.....	15 83	
C. W. Ellison, sawing wood	1 25	
		$205 92

TRANSPORTATION.

D. W. Watson, 1904.....	$27 50
D. W. Watson, 1905.....	30 00
D. W. Watson, for Harold Kidder	20 00
Frank R. Dearborn, 1904.....	22 00
Frank R. Dearborn, 1905.....	30 00

A. L. Comings, 1904	$57 00	
A. L. Comings, 1905	30 00	
Frank E. Doe, 1905	30 00	
Roscoe Otis, 1905	30 00	
Charles Provost, 1905	30 00	
		$306 50

INSURANCE.

F. E. Doe	$48 00	
J. H. Stevens	50 00	
		$98 00

REPAIRS.

Willie Francis	50	
F. E. Doe, labor and stock	10 00	
J. W. Berry, labor and stock	15 00	
D. Foss & Son, stock	4 50	
F. W. Neal, stock	14 33	
C. L. Jenness, stock	1 25	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, "desks"	40 50	
		$86 08

MISCELLANEOUS.

Earle Tuttle, carrying water	$1 00	
Maurice E. Davis, carrying water.	3 25	
Harold Kidder, carrying water	5 75	
A. B. Crawford, team	2 00	
F. H. Pinkham, printing	2 20	
C. E. Hayes, truant officer	8 00	
C. E. Hayes, janitor's supplies	4 10	
Charles Wentworth lettering diplomas	2 25	
F. E. Doe, care of school house, July 3d	3 00	

Alex Campbell, chart.....	$2 00
W. B. Sprague, car fare, etc.....	13 20
W. B. Sprague, stationery and stamps.....	6 83
W. B. Sprague, enumerating children.....	10 00
Dr. A. E. Grant, disinfectant.....	1 00
F. P Morrison, trucking, etc.....	8 49
W. S. Edgerly, janitor's supplies, etc.....	14 67
	$87 74

WALTER S. EDGERLY,
Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer of the School District, and find them correctly cast and all payments properly vouched.

C. E. HOITT, }
C. H. PETTEE, } Auditors.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1905.

1905. Date of Birth.		Place of Birth.	Name of Child.	No. of child.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
*Jan.	31	Durham	A. Fleming, Jr.	4	A. F. Nesbit	Sarah J. McLane
Feb.	22	"	Thordule M.	9	Thordule Belanger	Stella Colbert
April	18	"	Ralph S.	3	Herman Hanscom	Hannah Stimpson
May	26	"		4	Roscoe Palmer	Lillian Arsenault
June	4	"		6	Andrew E. Meserve	Gertrude Foye
"	5	"	Albert A.	1	Amede Moria	Clarida Hamel
"	9	"		1	Fred W. Taylor	Jessie Stocker
"	21	"	Albert A.	1	Napoleon Yell	Alphada Ayott
July	16	"		7	David H. Fogg	Artha Sherburne
"	23	"		6	George G. Hoitt	Lura Heeper
Aug.	13	"		1	Carl Hanson	Margaret Leora
Sept.	10	"	Janet	1	Wilber B. Sprague	Ortha H. Spalding
"	30	"	Alice P.	1	Edward L. Shaw	May Philo
Oct.	10	"	Andrew	3	Oza Mitchell	Philomena Techer
"	11	"		7	Edward Marston	Mary Drew
Dec.	1	"	Lena A.	6	Gorham H Sawyer	Alice Little

*In 1904 Report by Dover.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1905.

1905. Date of Marriage.		Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each.	Age.	Place of Birth.	By Whom Married.
Jan.	26	Pawtucket, R. I	Carl Adelbert Hanson	Durham	30	Sweden	Joseph Gibbons
			Margaret Ann Leaver	Pawtucket, R. I	33	Pawtuchet, R. I	Clergyman (R C.)
Feb.	22	Rochester	John W. Emerson	Durham	29	Durham	Lester R. Danforth
			Retta F. Wiggin	Epping	30	Epping	Clergyman

Sept.	2	Somersworth	George H. Amazeen	Durham	52	Newcastle	Elisha C. Andrews
			Eva Whitehouse	Somersworth	40		Justice of the Peace.
Dec.	27	Durham	Edward Emil Nelson	Salt Lake City, Utah	28	Nashua	Wm. S. Beard
			Alvena Pettee	Durham	24	Hanover	Clergyman

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1905.

1905. Date of Death.		Place of Death.	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Age.	Place of Birth.	Disease or Cause of Death.
*Jan.	31	Durham.	Naomi Morrison	84	Tewksbury, Mass.	Pneumonia
Feb.	24	"	Thomas C. Clark	89	Wakefield	Old Age
March	6	"	Sarah G. Hutchins	67		Paralysis
"	9	"	Ebenezer T. Emerson	78	Durham	General Debility
"	18	"	George W. Palmer	74	"	Acute Bronchitis
May	21	"	Lydia S. York	82	"	Acute Bronchitis
July	16	"	Nathaniel Stevens	81	Newmarket	Valvular Heart Disease
"	30	"	Alvin Jackson	56	Madbury	Suicide
Aug.	19	"	—— Meserve.	.	Durham	Indigestion
Sept.	10	"	Mary A. Davis	89	Portsmouth	Cancer of Liver,
"	23	"	Albert Yell	..	Durham	Cholera Infantum
Oct.	13	"	—— Marston	..	"	Heart Disease
"	14	"	David Stevens	79		Valvular Disease of the Heart
Nov.	7	"	William E. Morse	49	Colebrook	Cancer
Dec.	17	"	Susan M. Dame	74	Durham	Softening of the Brain

*In 1904 Report by error.